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MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27, 2005 AT 5:30 – 8:00 PM

CITIZENS' TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

STEPHEN P. CLARK CENTER

111 NW FIRST STREET

MIAMI, FLORIDA 33128

COUNTY COMMISSION CHAMBERS

AGENDA

(5:30 PM – 6:00 PM)

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Meeting of February 23, 2005

B. Meeting of March 23, 2005 (*Joint Meeting*)

III. WELCOME NEW MEMBERS/MEMBER RESIGNATIONS

A. Peggy Hollander Resigned - appointed by MPO Board Member Ruben Almaguer

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT - 3 Minutes Each Speaker

(6:00 PM – 6:15 PM)

V. ACTION ITEM

A. DRAFT RESOLUTION 4-05 RECOMMENDING THE MPO GOVERNING BOARD ADOPTS THE FY 2004-2005 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP) RESOLUTION

B. DRAFT RESOLUTION 5-05 RECOMMENDING THE MPO GOVERNING BOARD ADOPTS THE 2006-2010 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

(6:15 PM – 7:15 PM)

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. THE EVERGLADES SKYWAY – *Jonathan Ullman, Sierra Club*

B. PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO PTP FOR EXISTING TRANSIT SERVICES

VII. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE (7:15 PM – 7:30 PM)

VIII. MEMBER REPORTS ON OTHER MEETINGS RELATED TO TRANSPORTATION (7:30 PM – 7:45 PM)

IX. NEW BUSINESS (7:45 PM – 8:00 PM)

X. ADJOURNMENT

MPO Committee Meeting Dates:

CTAC Subcommittee	5/11/05
CTAC Full Committee	5/25/05
MPO Governing Board	5/19/05
TPC	5/09/05
TPTAC	5/18/05
BPAC	5/25/05
TARC	5/04/05

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SUMMARY OF MINUTES

MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27, 2005

CTAC ATTENDANCE:

Mike Hatcher, Chair
Andrew Burgess
Wendy Carr
Kenneth Carsto
Joseph Corradino
Carlos Diaz Padron
Willie Duckworth
Daniel Fils-Aime
Joseph Fontana
William Gardner, Jr.
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OTHERS PRESENT:

Elizabeth Rockwell, CTAC Secretariat
Paul Chance, MPO
Carlos Roa, MPO
Oscar Camejo, MPO
Seraphin Bernard, MDT
Mike Robinson, A.R.T
Javier Heredia, PWD
Jon Ullman, Sierra Club

Due to the Chair, First Vice-Chairperson, and Second Vice-Chair not being present at the beginning of the meeting, a temporary Chair was elected. Martin Nash made a motion to nominate Frank Hernandez as temporary Chair and the motion was seconded by Emma Pringle. Upon being put to a vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Frank Hernandez, Acting Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting and recognized quorum.

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mac Glasgow moved the agenda and the motion was seconded by Kenneth Castro. Upon being put to a vote, the motion passed unanimously.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mac Glasgow moved for the approval of the minutes of February 23, 2005 and the motion was seconded by Kenneth Carsto. Upon being put to a vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Martin Nash moved for the approval of the minutes of March 23, 2005 and the motion was seconded by Joe Fontana. Upon being put to a vote, the motion passed unanimously.

III. WELCOME NEW CTAC MEMBERS

Secretariat Elizabeth Rockwell informed members of the resignation of Peggy Hollander, who was appointed by MPO Board Member Ruben Almaguer.

MPO Board Member Katy Sorenson appointed Malou Harrison to CTAC.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mike Robinson wanted to thank CTAC members for putting the Everglades Skyway on the agenda as an informational item. Mr. Robinson explained to CTAC members why he supports the Skyway and how important it is for the Everglades. In conclusion, Mr. Robinson asked members to adopt a Resolution in support of the Everglades Skyway.

V. ACTION ITEMS

A. DRAFT RESOLUTION 4-05 SUPPORTING THE MPO GOVERNING BOARD ADOPTS THE FY 2005-2006 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP) RESOLUTION

Joe Fontana moved for the approval of the Resolution and the motion was seconded by Frank Zeinali. Upon being put to a vote, the Resolution passed unanimously.

B. DRAFT RESOLUTION 5-05 RECOMMENDING THE MPO GOVERNING BOARD ADOPTS THE 2006-2010 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP).

Kenneth Carsto moved for the approval of the Resolution and the motion was seconded by Andrea Young. Upon being put to a vote, the Resolution passed unanimously.

Carlos Roa, TIP/LRTP Project Manager also updated the Committee on air quality monitoring issues. He expressed to the Committee that air quality is a health issue that is handled by departments such as the Department of Environmental Resources Management (DERM).

IV. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. THE EVERGLADES SKYWAY

Jon Ullman, Sierra Club, gave a presentation regarding the project. Mr. Ullman discussed the following key factors for the project:

- Tamiami Trail's Impact
- Flow of the Everglades
- Tamiami Trail Modifications Project
- Three options; 3,000 ft bridge, 4 mile bridge, and 11-mile Skyway
- Advantages of elevated roadway
- Tamiami Trail construction costs
- Additional funding sources
- The road can become a tourist destination
- Supporters of the skyway

(The presentation can be heard in its entirety upon request)

After the presentation, there was a question and answer period between CTAC members and Mr. Ullman. In conclusion, a Resolution was adopted that stated:

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION GOVERNING BOARD AN 11-MILE SKYWAY AS A PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE OF THOSE BEING CONSIDERED AND REQUIRING 100% OF THE FUNDING FROM THE MODIFIED WATERS PROJECT AND/OR THE 8.4 BILLION DOLLARS THAT ARE BEING AUTHORIZED FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE EVERGLADES RESTITUTION PROJECT.

John Westbrook moved for the approval of the Resolution and the motion was seconded by Paul Schwiep. Upon being put to a vote, the Resolution passed 20-2.

B. PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO PTP FOR EXISTING TRANSIT SERVICES

The item was pulled.

VII. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE

Chairperson Mike Hatcher reminded members the official launch of Go.miamidade.gov will be May 12th on the 18th floor.

Mr. Hatcher also encouraged everyone to attend the FDOT Regional Form to give his or her comments regarding the 2025 Florida Transportation Plan.

He also informed the audience and members that Miami-Dade bus fares will be going up .25 cents.

IX. CTAC SECRETARIAT'S REPORT

None.

X. MEMBER REPORTS ON OTHER MEETINGS RELATED TO TRANSPORTATION

Martin Nash, Aviation Committee Chair, reported that Commissioner Carlos Gimenez has moved the Aviation meetings to every other month rather than every month. In addition, he has moved the meeting place from the airport to the Commission Chambers so it can be televised.

Mac Glasgow reported that Broward County would be starting a one-cent sales tax that would be specifically for transit.

The Chair also reported the opening of the US-1 Busway extension was a huge success.

XI. NEW BUSINESS TO BE PLACED ON THE CTAC WORKING LIST

Joe Fontana would like to know Miami-Dade Transit's procedure in getting the Golden Passports out to the elderly. Mr. Fontana thinks the Committee should look into; how many locations are accessible to the elderly; where are these places located; and are they located within city limits.

Martin Nash would like an update on the Slim Line bus shelters.

William Gardner expressed concerns with the STS drivers having paid vacation and being unionized vs. non-unionized.

Roman Ramos inquired about a Resolution that addressed the Regional Transportation Authority Bill. Mr. Ramos would like to see that Resolution revisited.

The Chair would like information on why US-1 traffic is moving faster than the buses on the Busway.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

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